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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING RCE REQUEST**

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on July 16, 2002 (Paper No. 9) in the above-identified action. This response is being timely filed on or before November 18, 2002 (as November 16<sup>th</sup> was a Saturday and November 17<sup>th</sup> was a Sunday), in view of the simultaneous filing of a one-month Petition for Extension of Time and a Request for Continued Examination, including payment of fees, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114.

Please amend the application, without prejudice, as follows:

**In the specification:**

Please amend several paragraphs of the specification as identified and shown in clean form below. Also, please refer to the attached Marked-Up Version of the Specification where changes to the identified paragraphs are shown such that additions are shown by underlining and deletions are shown in brackets.